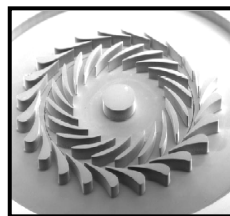
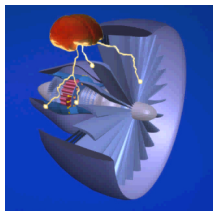


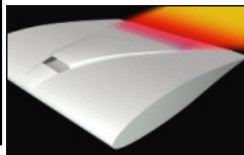


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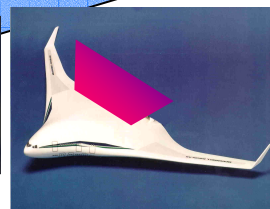
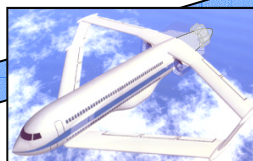
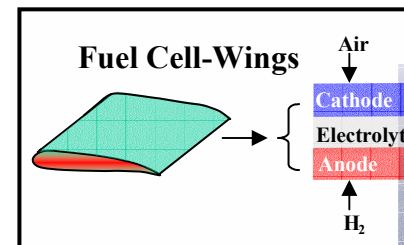
**Intelligent  
Engine**



**Innovative Propulsion  
Systems**



**Transport Electric  
Propulsion**



Dr. Gary T. Seng, Program Manager  
NASA Glenn Research Center

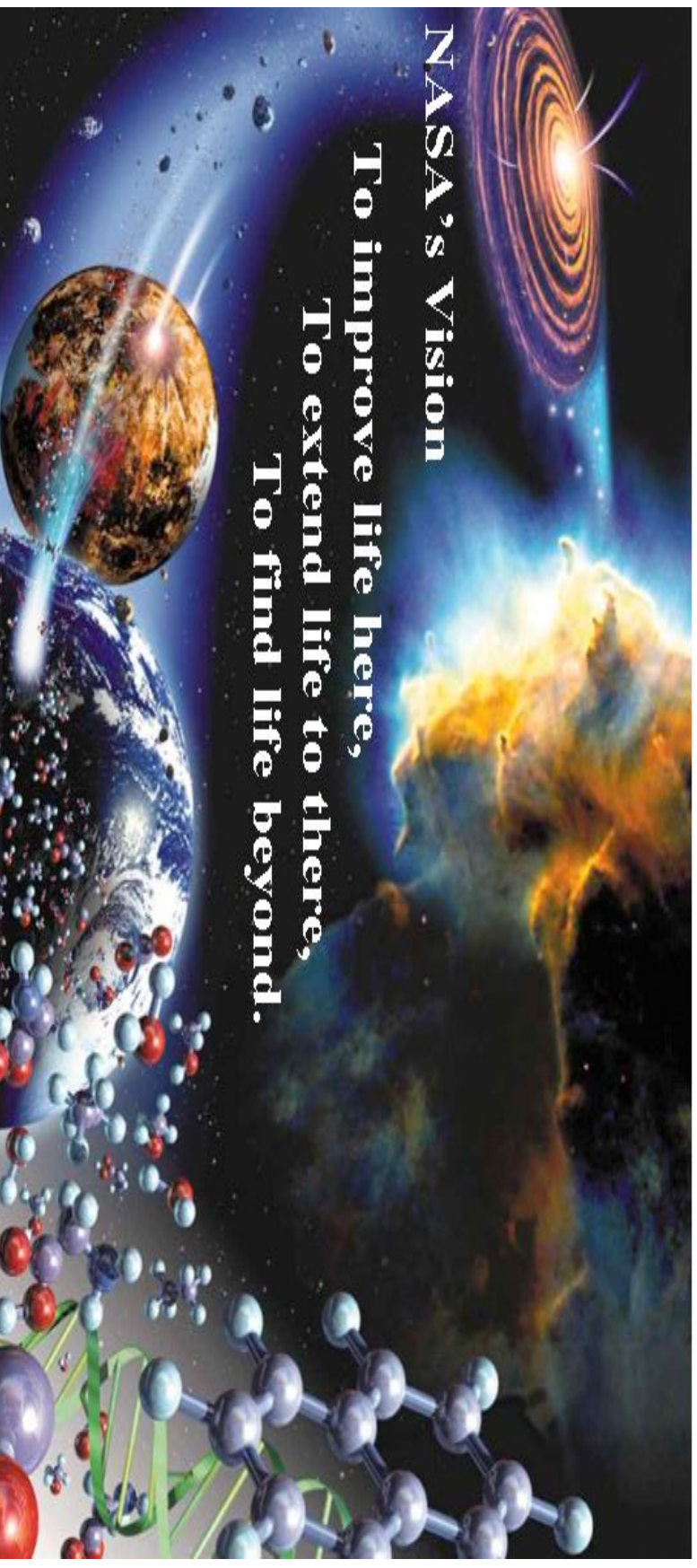
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# Presentation Outline



- Mission, Programs & Goals
- Current Investment Areas
- Future Directions



## NASA's Vision

To improve life here,  
To extend life to there,  
To find life beyond.

### The NASA Mission



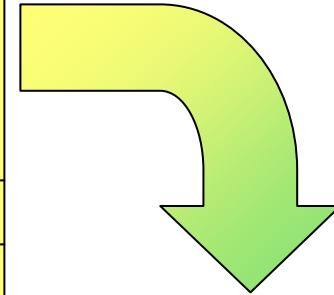
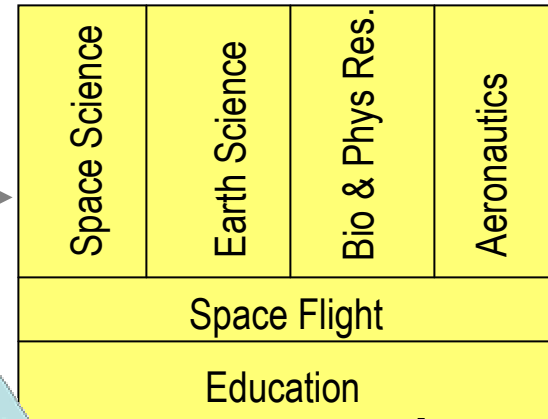
*To understand and protect our home planet  
To explore the Universe and search for life  
To inspire the next generation of explorers*

*... as only NASA can.*

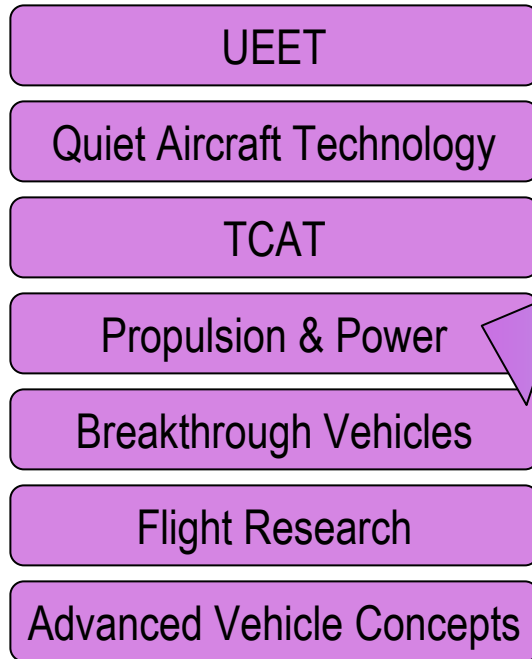
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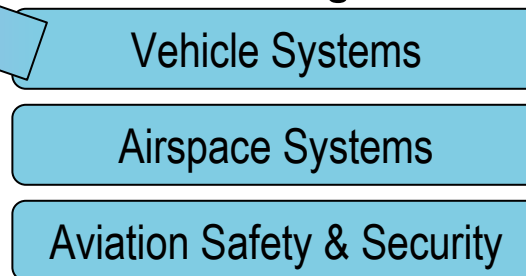
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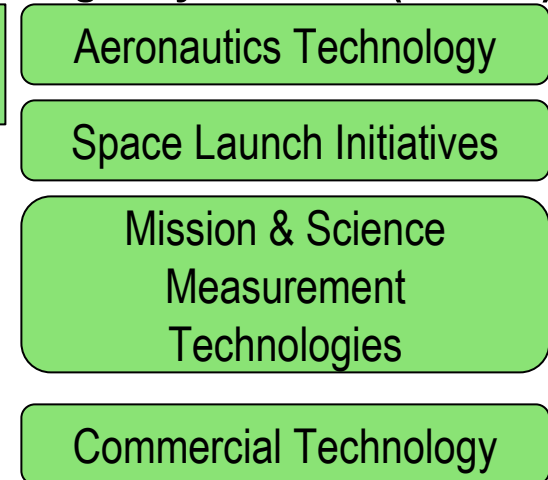
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## **Enterprise Level 1 Programs**



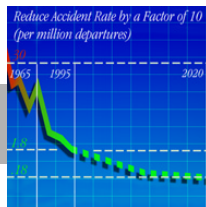
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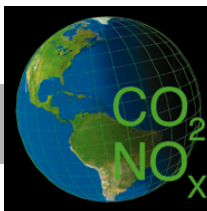




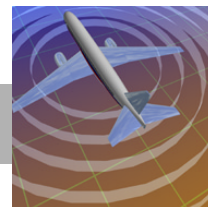
**Aeronautics Technology**



**Increase Safety**



**Reduce Emissions**



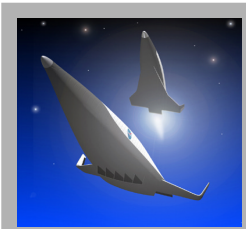
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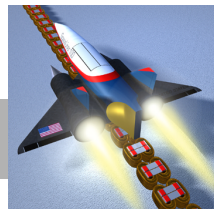
**Increase Capacity**



**Increase Mobility**



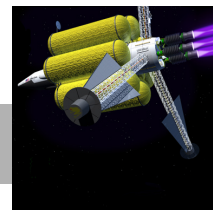
**Space Launch Initiative**



**Mission Safety**



**Mission Affordability**

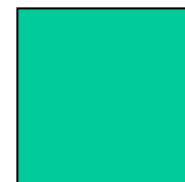


**Mission Reach**

**New Aero Objectives**



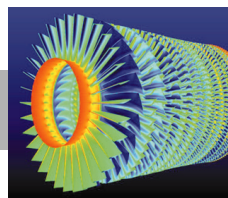
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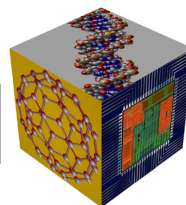
**Explore Revolutionary Aero Concepts**



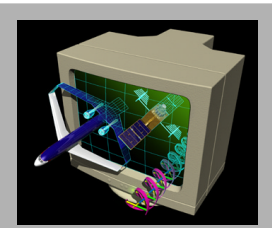
**Mission & Science Measurement Tech.**



**Engineering Innovation**



**Technology Innovation**



**Commercial Technology Partnerships**

# ***Enterprise Objectives***

## ***In Progress - Draft***

# Vehicle Systems

**Technology Transfer**

**Industry**

**Flight Validation**

**Advanced Vehicle Concepts**

**Technology Maturation  
& Integration**

**Ultra-Efficient  
Engine  
Technology**

**21st Century  
Aircraft  
Technology**

**Quiet Aircraft  
Technology**

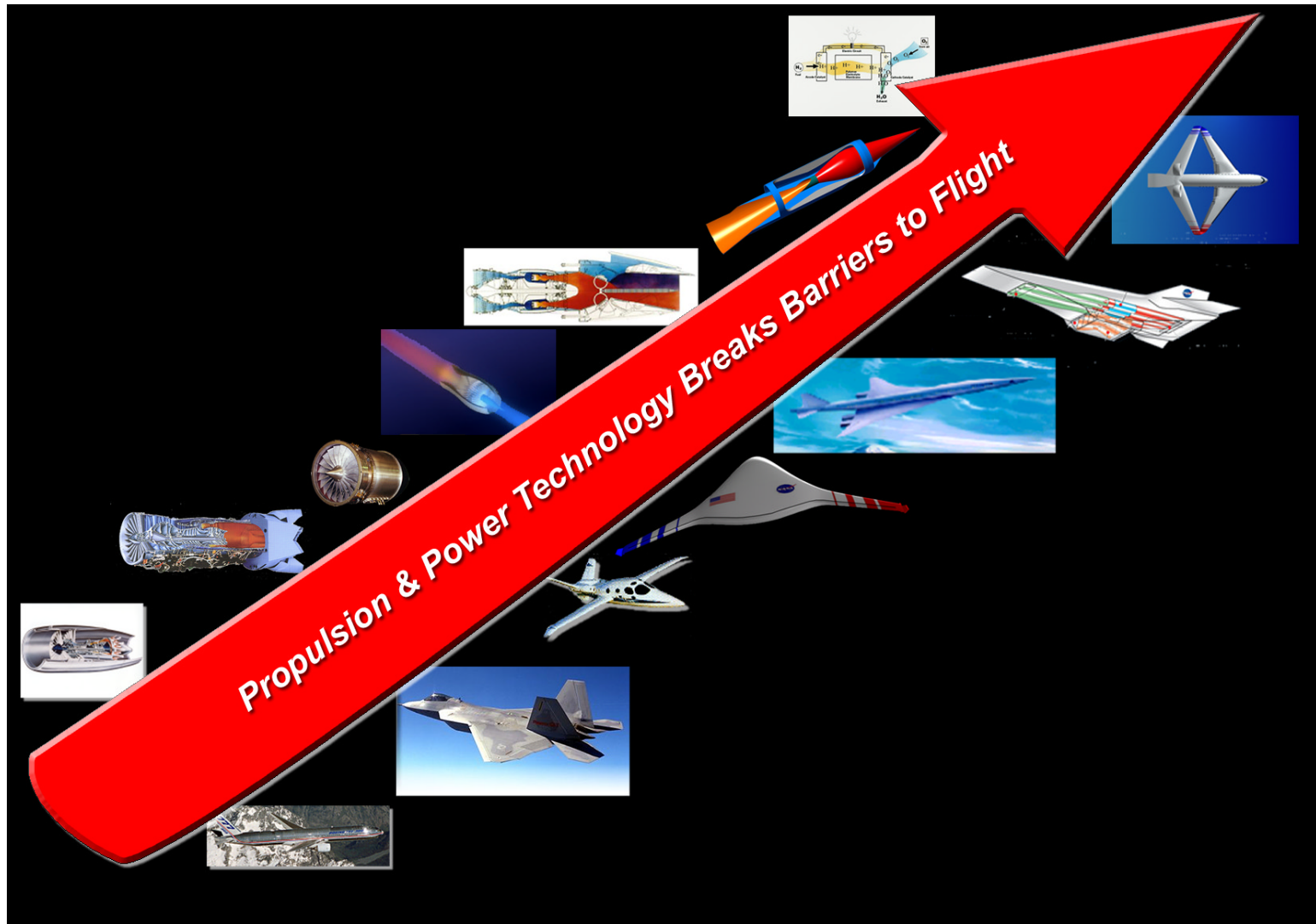
**Fundamental Technology  
& Tool Development**

**Breakthrough  
Vehicle  
Technologies**

**Propulsion &  
Power**

**Flight  
Research**

# *Propulsion & Power Program – Mission Statement*



Provides leadership for the development of breakthrough aeronautics technologies to maintain U.S. technological and environmental superiority of propulsion and power systems



# PROPULSION & POWER PROGRAM - Investment Areas & Projects



National Aeronautics and  
Space Administration

Glenn Research Center

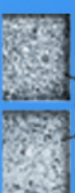
## Turbine Engine Technologies



Smart Efficient Components



Oil-Free Turbine Engine  
Technology



UltraSafe Propulsion

## New Propulsion Concepts



Pulse Detonation  
Engine Technology

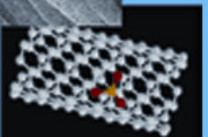
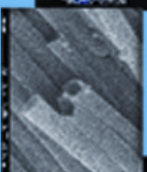
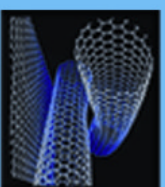


Revolutionary Aeropropulsion  
Concepts



ZERO CO2 Emission  
Technologies

## Foundation Technologies



High Temperature  
Nanotechnology



University Research,  
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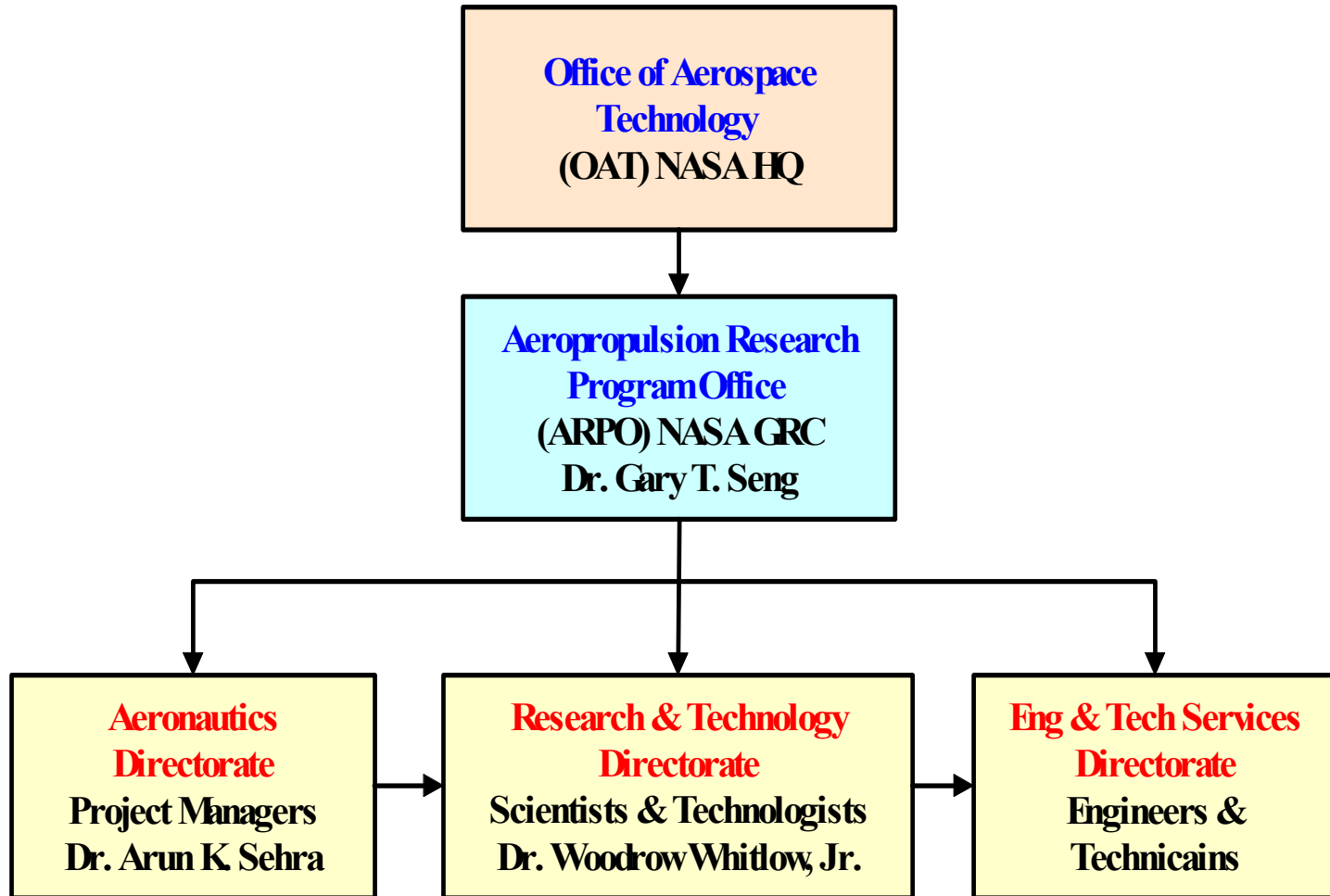


Higher Operating Temperature  
Propulsion Components

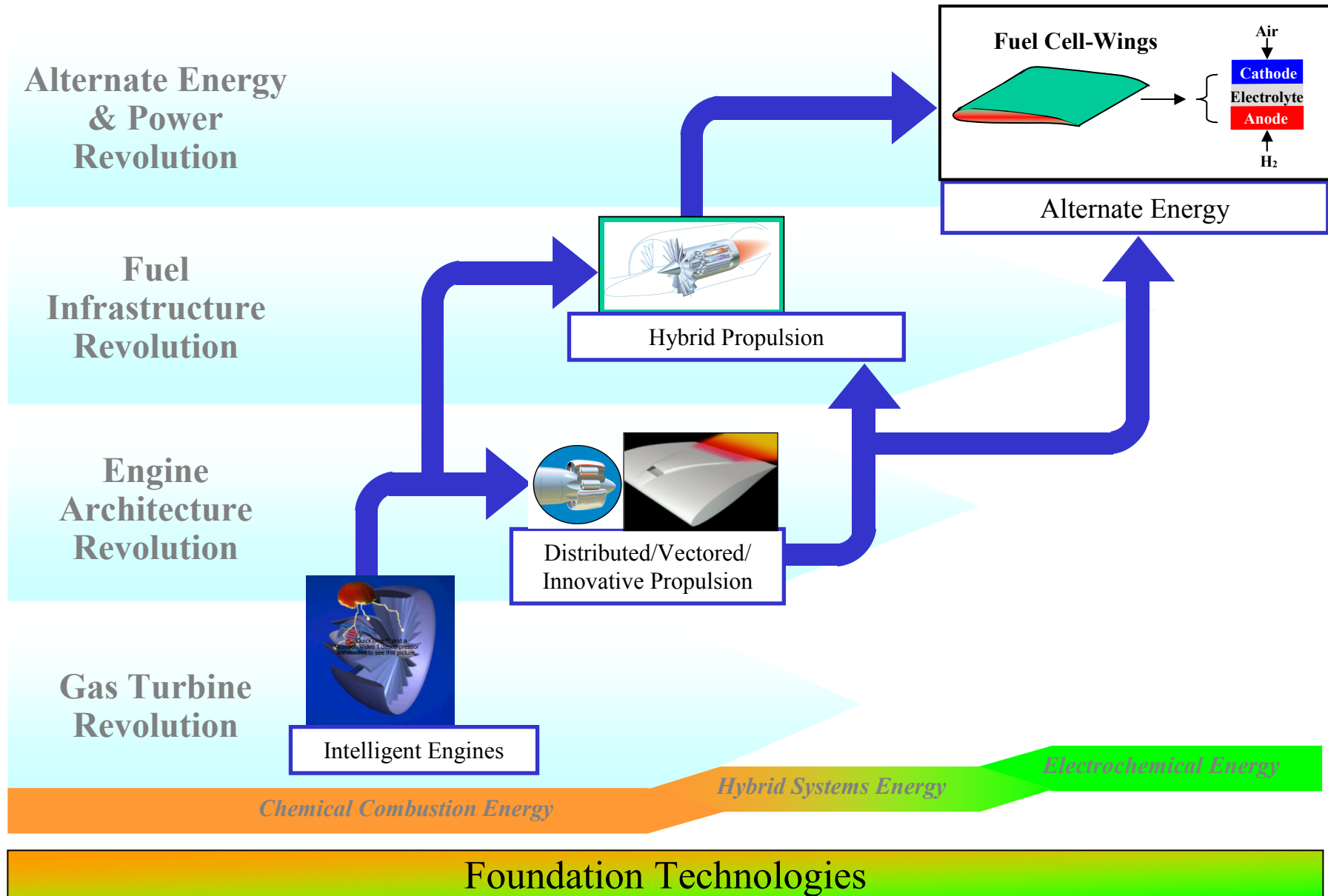


# *Program Flowdown to Matrix Organization*

## *“How Work Gets Done”*



# *Aeropropulsion – NASA's Future Directions*



# Intelligent Engine Technologies - Ultra-clean, Ultra-Quiet,

## Intelligent Engine Attributes & Technologies

### Attributes

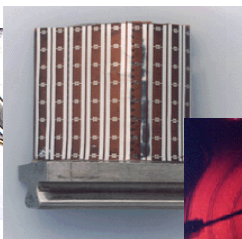
- Sensing
- Thinking
- Reacting

### Technologies

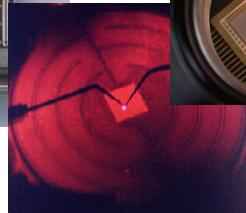
- Embedded micro- and nanosensors
- Coupled simulation and data-feedback health and performance management
- Autonomic engine control strategies



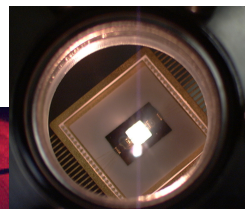
Smart micro-  
and nano-  
sensing,  
computation,  
and actuation



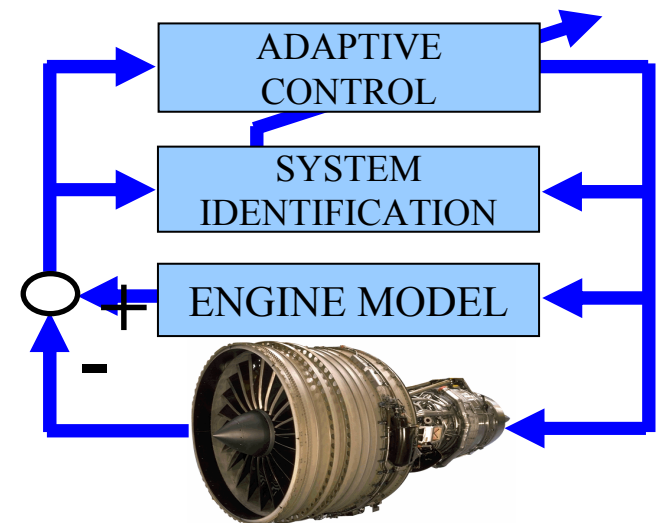
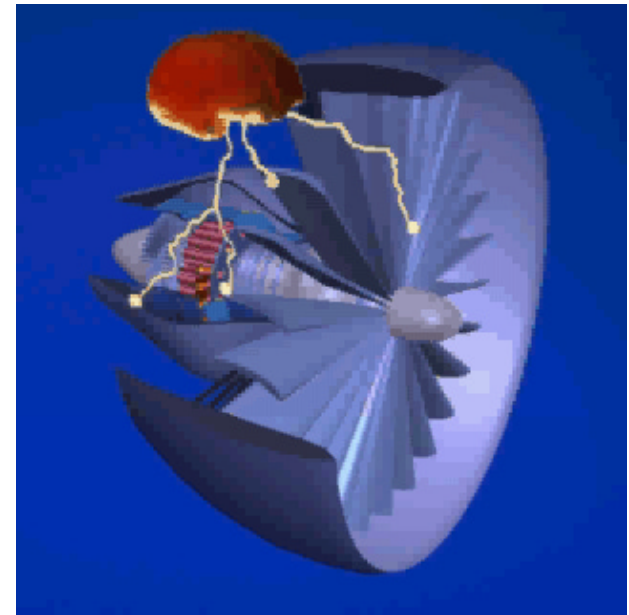
Heat  
Flux  
Sensor



Advanced  
electronics



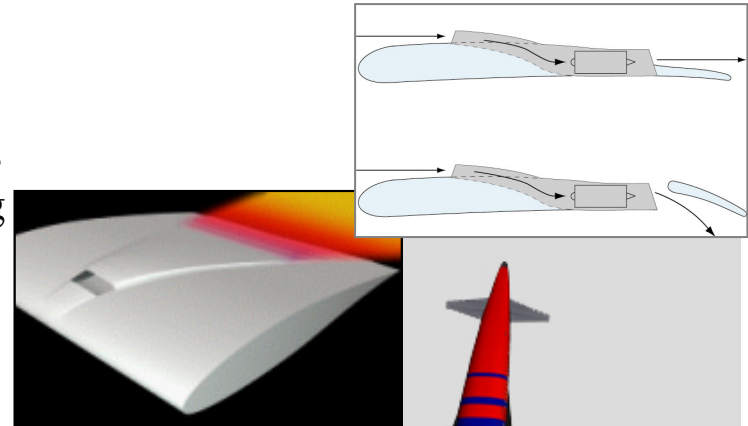
Advanced  
photonics



# Distributed, Vectored & Innovative Propulsion Systems

## Distributed Engines/ Distributed Exhaust

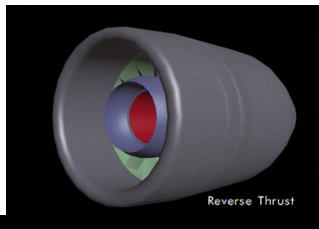
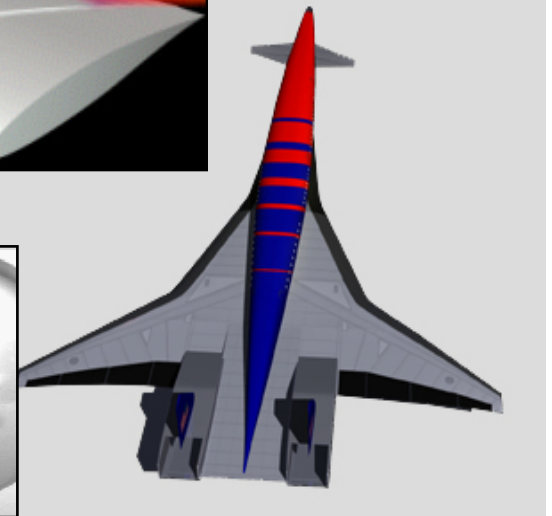
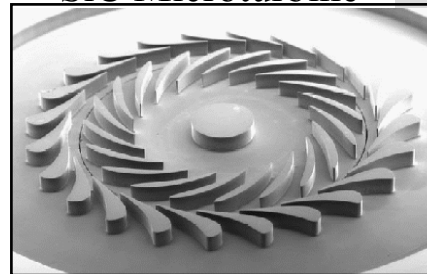
- Multiple low-cost, low power engines deployed along wing providing distributed thrust and thrust vectoring
- Aircraft boundary layer ingestion using Micro-Turbines
- High aspect-ratio nozzles embedded in the wing trailing edge using Ducted Polymer Matrix Composite nozzles
- Embedded inlets & nozzles employing flow-control



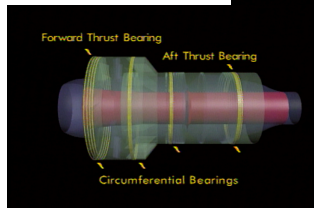
## Revolutionary Propulsion Systems

- Exoskeletal Engine
- Pulse Detonation Engines/Hybrids
- Others

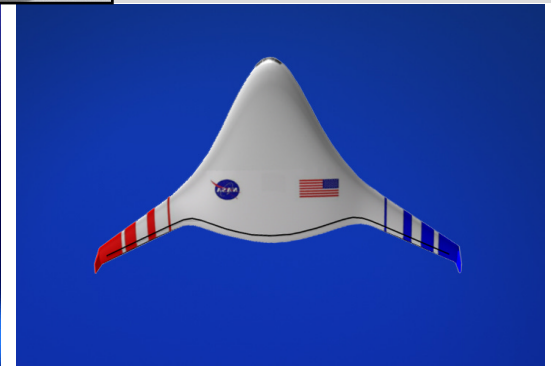
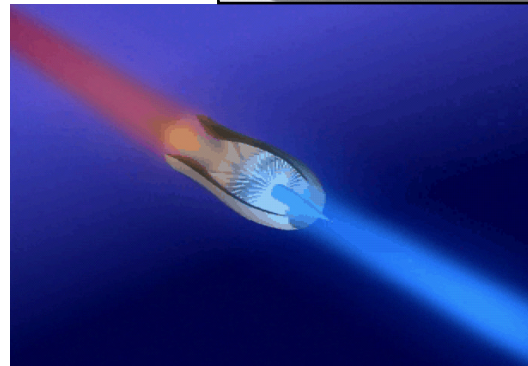
SiC Microturbine



Reverse Thrust



Exoskeletal

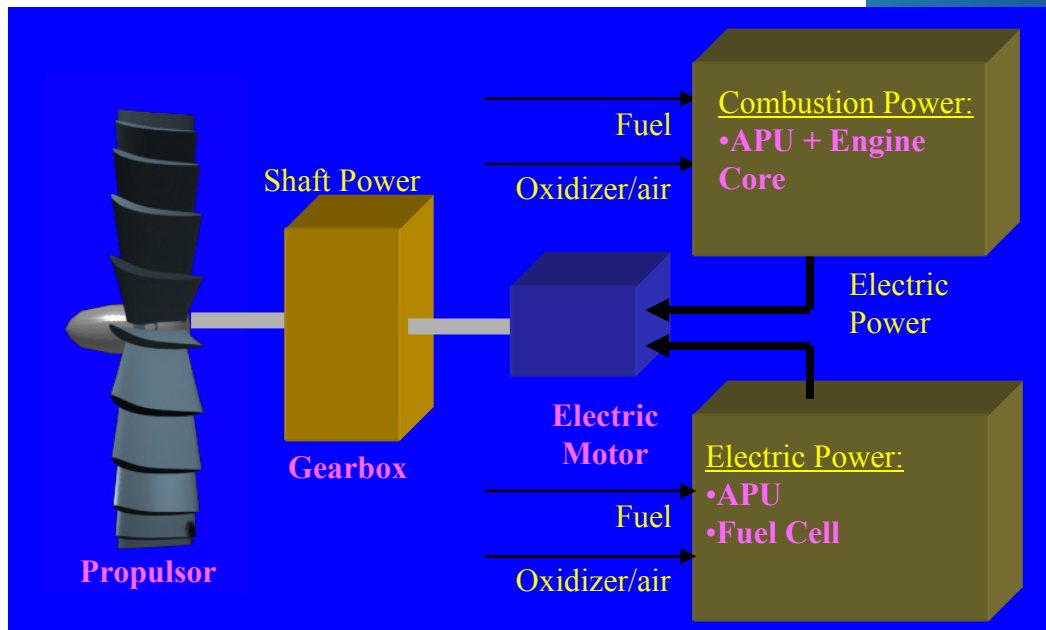
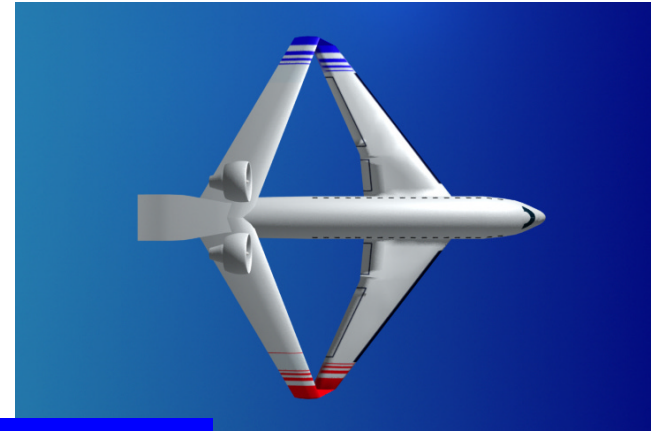




# Alternative Energy Propulsion

## Hybrid Combustion/Electric

- Takeoff thrust-augmenting Auxilliary Power Unit (APU)
- On-board electric power for zero emissions fan thrust



# *Propulsion & Power University Partnerships*

## Competitive Selections (FY02)

- 36 new **U-grants** = \$3.6M, open competition among universities
- 9 new **U-contracts** = \$0.9M, open competition among universities and small businesses (\$2.0M total)
- **Aeropropulsion & Power URETI Cooperative Agreement** = \$3.0M/yr for up to 5 years

## Other U-Investments

Project level grants, consortium support, faculty & student fellowships, and cooperative agreements = \$6.0M



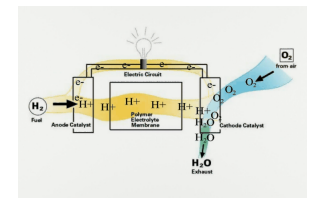
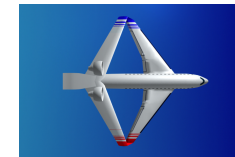
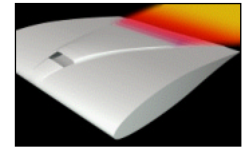
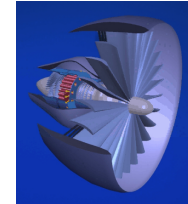


# Summary



Propulsion & Power R&T will enable new engine and aircraft systems that will revolutionize aviation by providing:

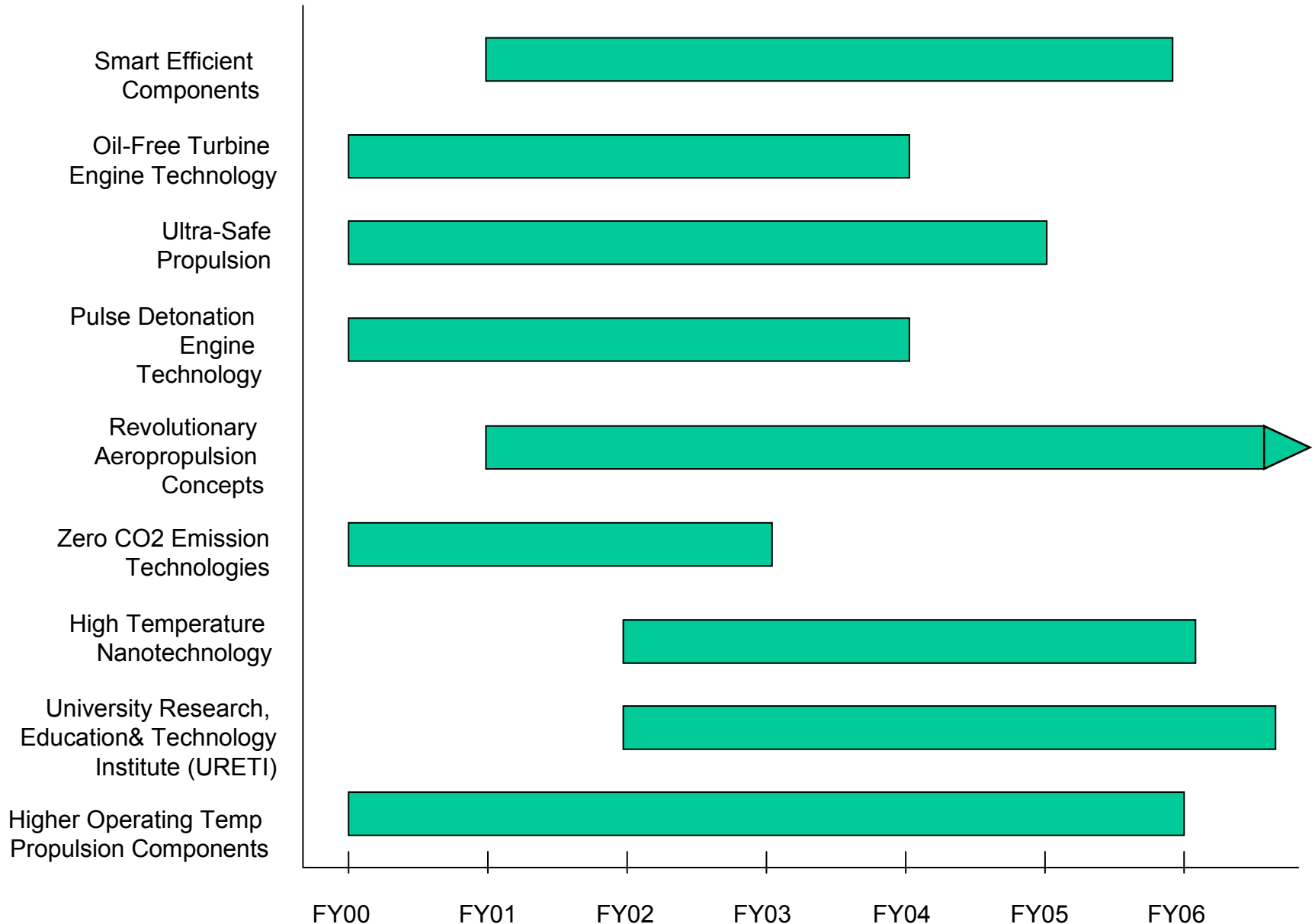
- Emerging ultra-low noise & emissions, using intelligent turbofans.
- Future distributed, vectored and/or innovative propulsion systems with 24 hour operations and greater community mobility.
- Successful hybrid combustion/electric propulsion systems leading to near-zero emissions and silent aircraft.
- The culmination of these revolutions will deliver all-electric powered airplanes, which achieve zero-impact emissions and noise with high-capacity, on-demand operation.



# Back-up Slides

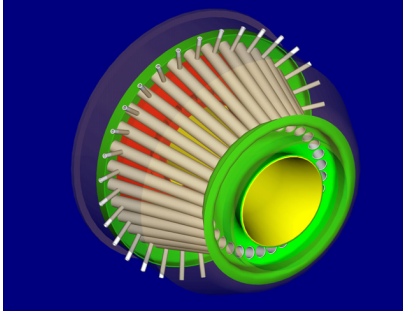


# Propulsion & Power – Project Timelines



# Current Efforts - New Propulsion Concepts

## Pulse Detonation Engine Technology



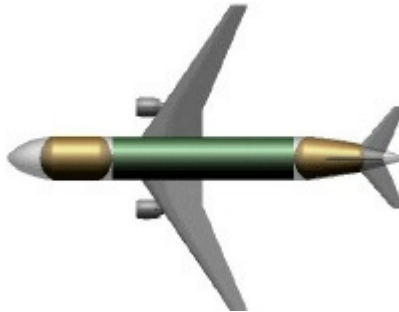
### Potential benefits:

- 20-30% combustor total pressure gain
- 22-26% improvement in fuel consumption

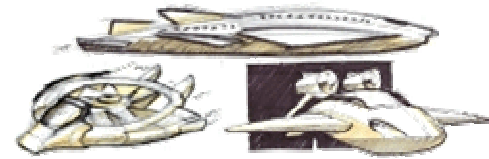
### Technical challenges:

- Materials fatigue
- Acoustics
- Unsteady performance
- Energy extraction
- More

## Zero CO2 Emissions Technologies



## Revolutionary Aeropropulsion Concepts



### Systems Analyses on Advanced Concepts

- Distributed/vectored propulsion
- Exo-skeletal
- Dual fan
- Levitated ducted fan

Next Generation Fuel Cells  
Cryogenic Electric Motors

### Next Generation Fuel Cells

Alternatives for electric- powered flight  
Optimization of H<sub>2</sub> fueled turbofan  
NO<sub>x</sub> emissions from H<sub>2</sub> combustion

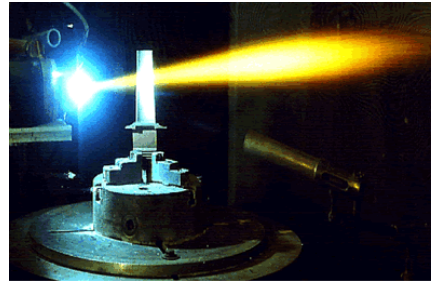
# Current Efforts – Foundation Technologies

University Research,  
Engineering &  
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## Research Areas

System level engineering analysis and technology integration methods  
Enabling technologies for components and systems  
Intelligent engine components and systems  
High performance components  
Advanced power technologies

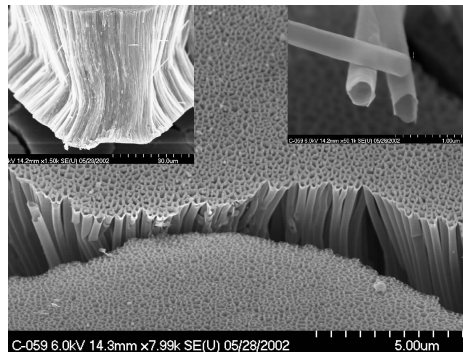


## Higher Operating Temp Propulsion Components:

Extend temperature capability of all classes of materials throughout the entire engine.

- Develop life prediction capabilities for resulting materials and components.
- Validate material characterization behavior and component structural performance with data from rig/engine tests.

## High Temperature Nanotechnology



Focus on Silicon Carbide (SiC) for high temp application :

- high modulus
- hardness
- light weight
- oxidative stability
- chemical resistance
- H.T. semiconductor
- H.T. optical material

# Current Efforts -Turbine Engine Technologies

## *Ultra-low Emission Combustors Design/Analysis Tools*

### *Increase Compressor Stage Loading and Efficiency*

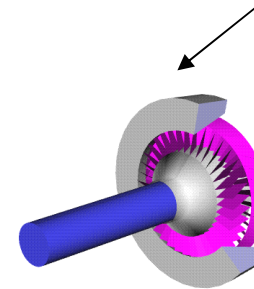
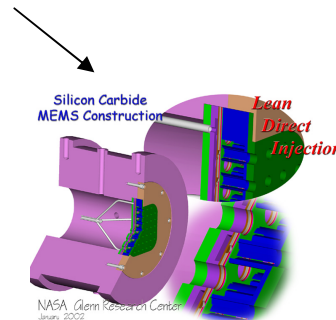
Flow Control  
Unsteady Aerodynamics/  
Blade Flutter Control

Lean Direct Injector (LDI)  
National Combustor Code Development  
Understanding of Combustion  
Instabilities

### *Increase Turbine Stage Loading and Efficiency*

Turbine Heat Transfer Research/Modeling  
Flow Control for Low Pressure Turbines  
Low Pressure Turbine CFD Simulation

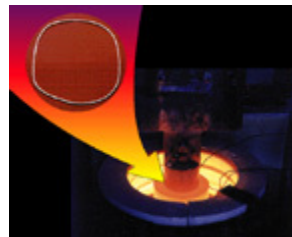
Light weight, high  
strength  
fan containment



Develop Enabling  
Sensors for  
Smart/Active  
Control Systems

Crack resistant  
materials

Revolutionary Acoustic Seals  
Advanced Non-Contacting Seals



High-Temperature Magnetic Bearings  
Self-tuning Vibration Absorbers  
Air bearings to eliminate oil system

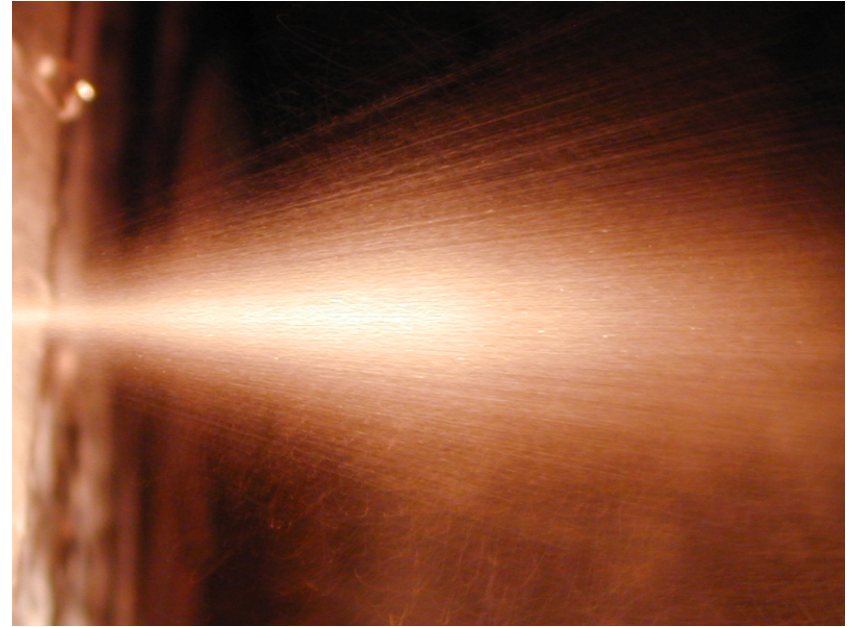




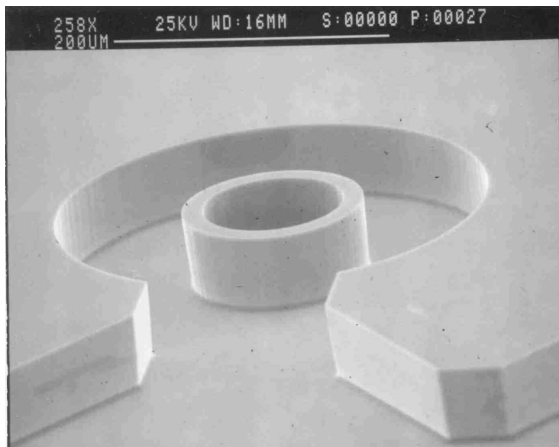
# SEC Project - ADVANCED LEAN DIRECT INJECTOR CONCEPT



Quarter piece part of batch fabricated  
LDI laminate in silicon carbide



Evaluation of LDI nozzle fuel spray pattern  
for single fuel injector with mixing chamber



Flow channel fabricated in  
silicon

## Accomplishments:

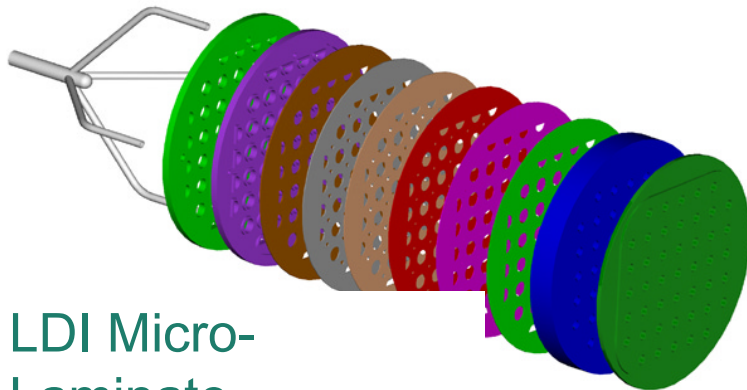
- *Completed proof of concept for assembly of the SiC laminate LDI array, including deep reactive ion etching batch fabrication and multi-layer wafer bonding*
- *Completed initial thermal and structural analysis of the LDI assembly*
- *Conducted single injector simplex test to evaluate LDI nozzle fluid spray pattern*

# SEC Project - ADVANCED LEAN DIRECT INJECTOR (LDI) CONCEPT

## Objective :

*Demonstrate revolutionary fuel injector concepts that utilize advanced technology, including metals, ceramics, and MEMS technology in flame-tube tests, to achieve the 80% NO<sub>x</sub> reduction goal, and reduce particulate and aerosol emissions.*

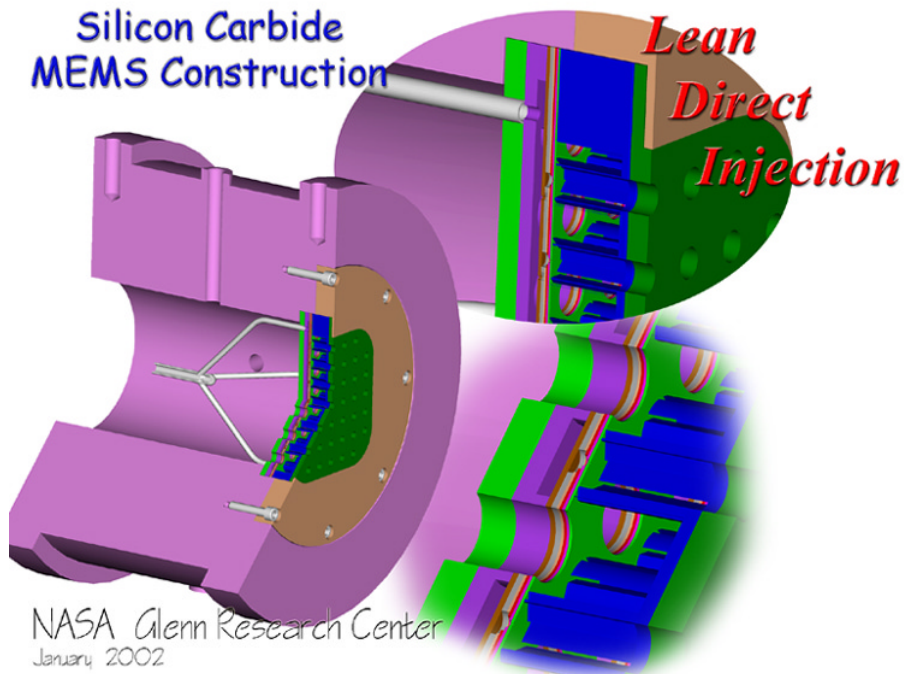
## **LDI Fuel Injector Program**



LDI Micro-Laminate Construction

January 2002

## LDI Hardware installed in Flame Tube Test Chamber

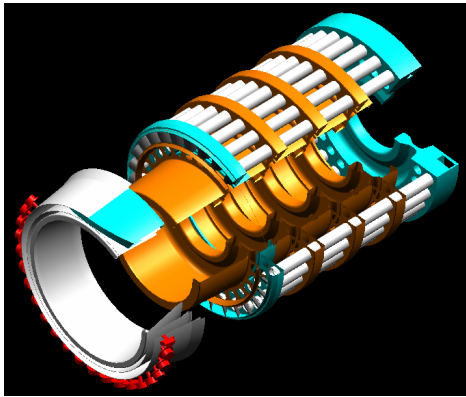


# PDET Project - Hybrid Conceptual Design Study

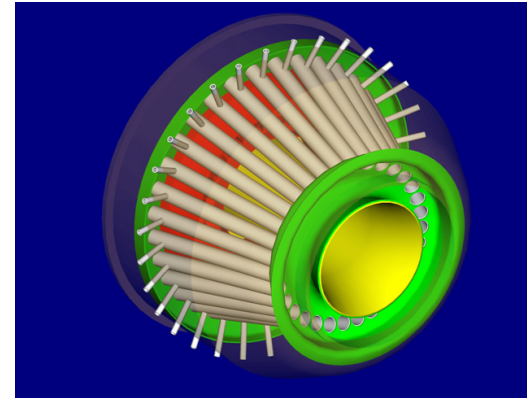
**Objective:** Complete assessment and conceptual design of PDE-based hybrid cycle and combined-cycle propulsion systems.

**Shown:** Representative combustor and engine concepts for PDE-based 50- and 300-passenger class subsonic vehicles and a Pulse Detonation Rocket Engine (PDRE) employed with a Rocket-Based Combined Cycle (RBCC) access-to-space vehicle.

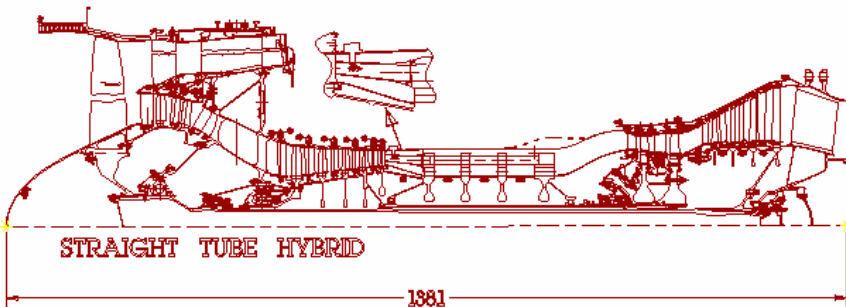
## P&W PDE Combustor Concept



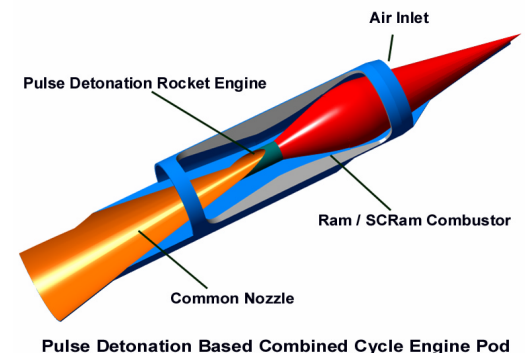
## APRI PDE Combustor Concept



## P&W Hybrid Engine Concept



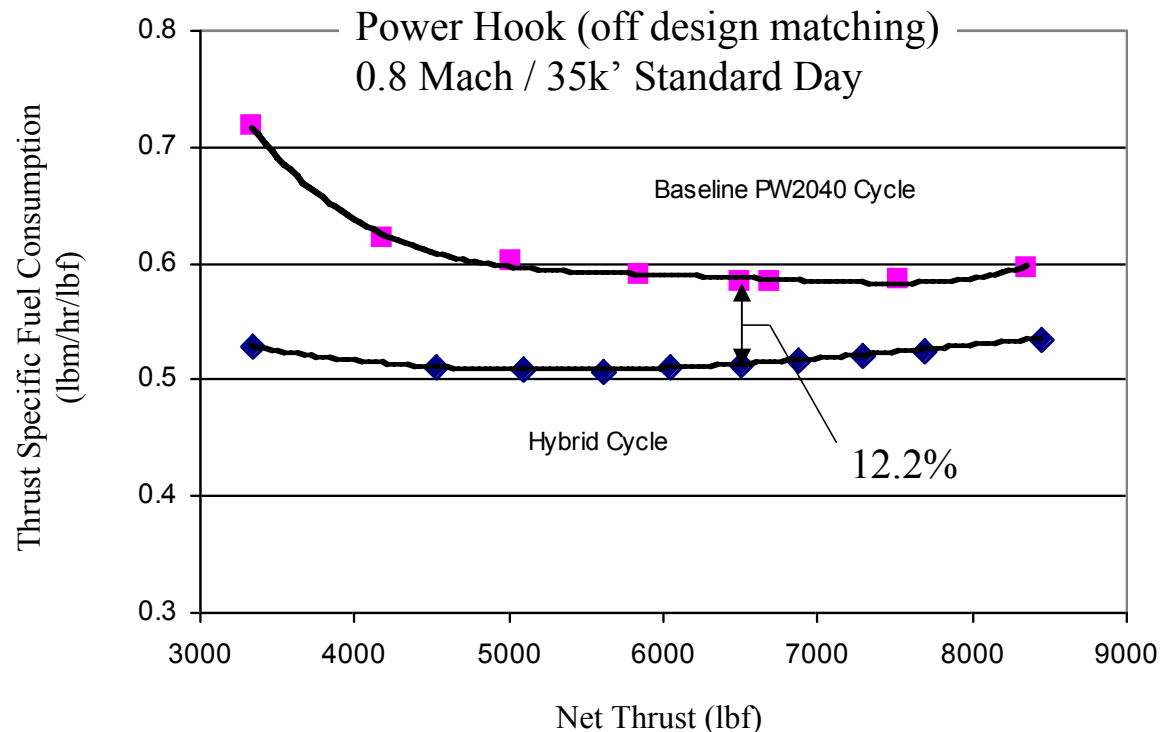
## PDRE-RBCC Engine Concept



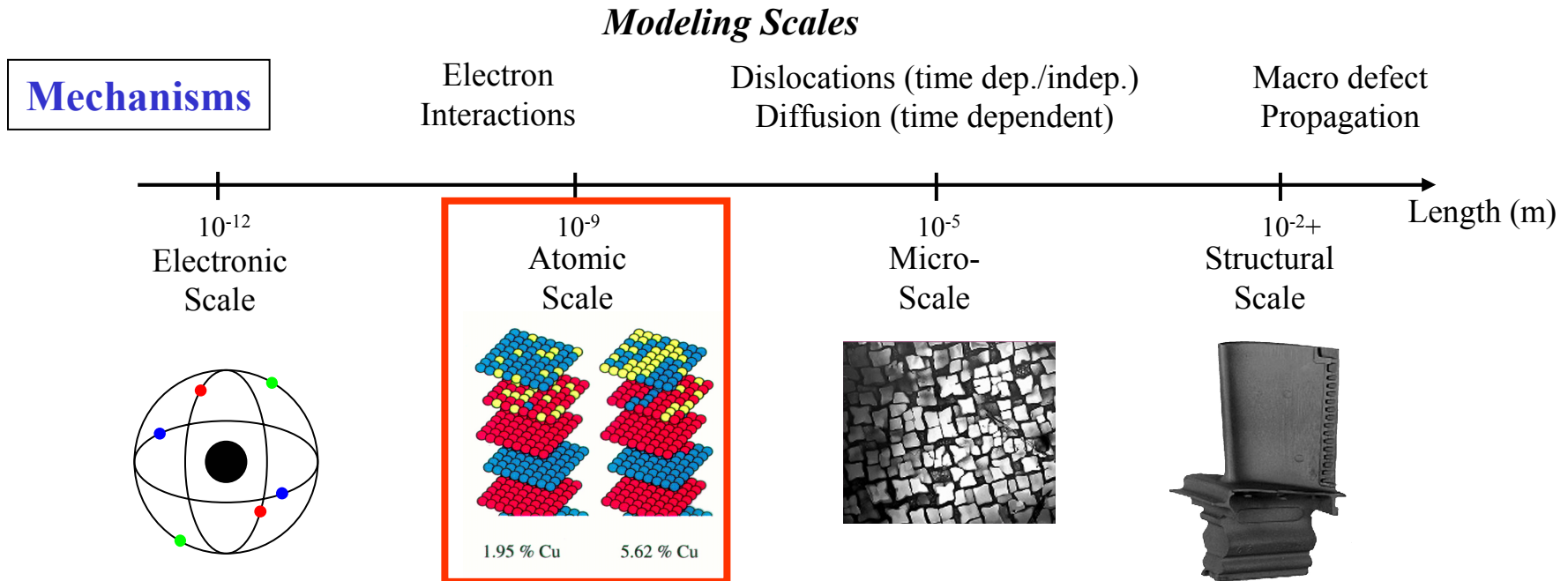
# PDET Project - Pulse Detonation Engine (PDE)-Based System Conceptual Design

**Results:** A total of eleven design concepts were completed by the P&W, APRI and NASA study teams for hybrid (i.e., gas turbine engines) and combined-cycle propulsion systems utilizing pulse detonation (PD). First-order system performance analyses and hybrid engine component design and performance sensitivities were also completed. The hybrid engine concepts were designed to take best advantage of the potential benefits of a PD-based system. Initial assessment of the PDE concepts indicates increased performance potential.

- Fuel Economy (TSFC) at Cruise Improved 12.2%
- 6.3% lower engine weight
- 14.4% decrease in mission fuel burn



# HOTPC Project - Computational Materials R&T

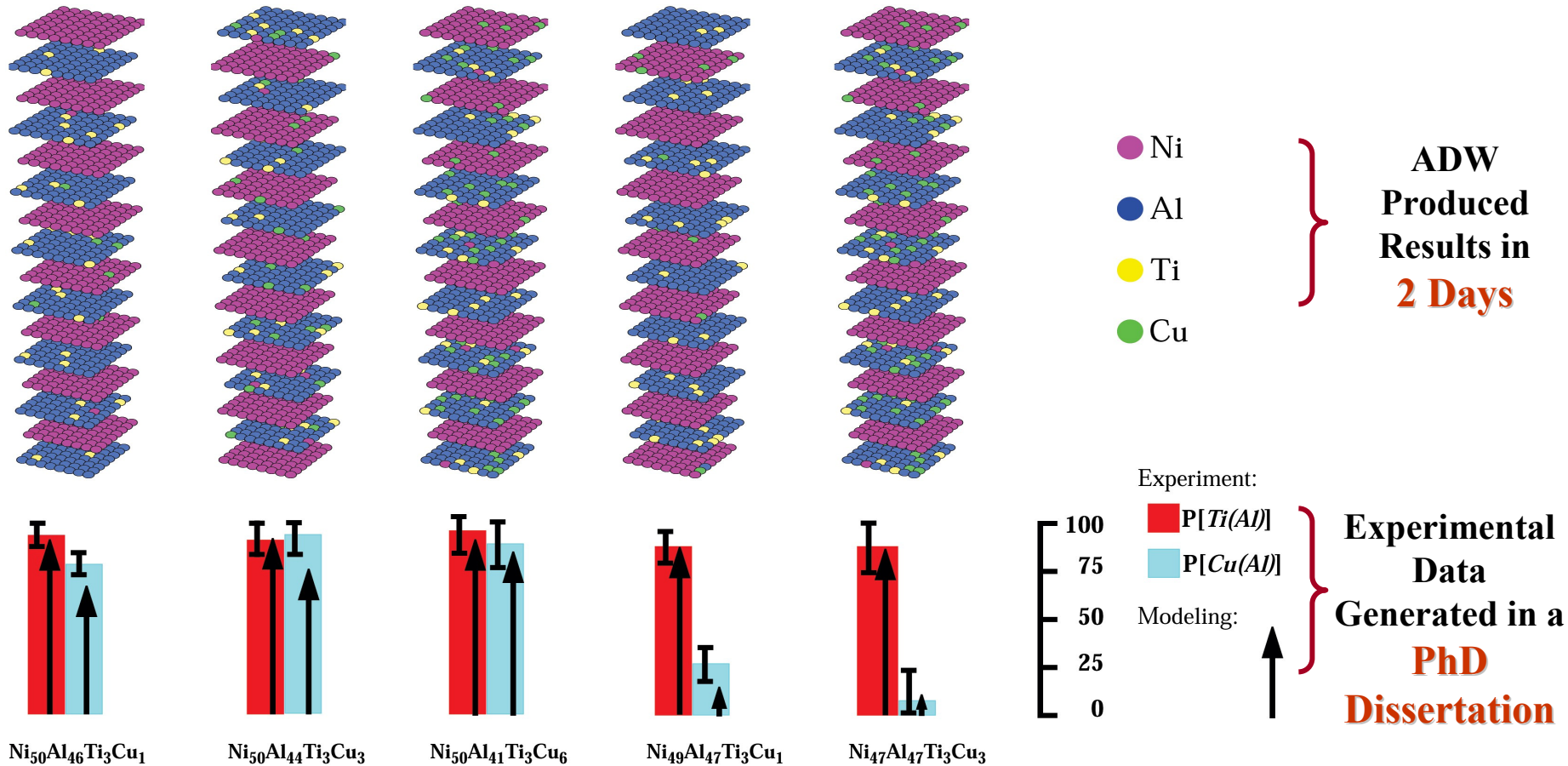


The Alloy Design Workbench Software Code will enable a designer/engineer to computationally create and evaluate a multitude of alloying materials, and assess the desired properties at a fraction of the cost and time that is associated with the current practices of building, testing, and analyzing.



# HOTPC Project - Recent Model Results

Alloy Design Workbench Utilized to Model Site Occupancy in NiAl Alloys



Validated Results Generated in a Fraction of the Time